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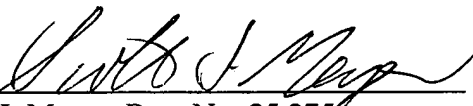
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IN RE APPLICATION OF:)
RICHARD A. MUELLER, et al.) EXAMINER: JEFFREY FREDMAN
SERIAL NO. 09/249,220)
FILED: FEBRUARY 12, 1999) GROUP ART UNIT: 1634
TITLE: USE OF N-SUBSTITUTED-1,5-DIDEOXY-)
1,5-IMINO-D-GLUCITOL COMPOUNDS FOR)
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AMENDMENT B

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 23, 2003, please amend the claims in the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.